

The Stephanie Ward Gallery will host a series of through seminars, November. Topics include: understanding cubism; Art appreciation 101; Collecting 101; Framing and preserving your art work; The scoop on art appraisal; The philosophy of modern art, and other topics. Call for more details 214 752.5588. 2546 Elm St.

"Dee-Dee" Cassidy's Restaurant in the

Deborah Gibson-Moreland, and husband, Webster "Warrior" Moreland are one Dallas' hottest up and coming production team to bombard the area. Recently, open calls were held for area hopefuls for the "Talent in the Hood" . V Т production, aired on DCTV network. (Dallas Television). Community

By Cathy Johnson

Open calls were held at Lane.

The

production duo addressed the crowd and began the evening with a prayer.

> Eager performers, staff, and onlookers waited patiently. Gibson-Moreland gave direction, itineraries, and visions; mixing scriptural parables examples. as "We're in a 'desert experience' much like David," she illustrated, with a theatrical use of arms, and facial

#### St. Mark - Celebrating History and Vision

#### By Cathy Johnson In 1879 a church bell ringer would sound the commencing of service for the "The First Colored Baptist Church," now called St. Mark Missionary

Baptist Church of McKinney. Under the leadership of Pastor Charles S. Wattley for the past 20 years, this is the oldest church for people of color, according to Collin County Historical Society records. And on Sunday September 21, 2003, Wattley marked his 20th anniversary in service at the church, and is proud to say the church motto is, "A church built on the word." "Twenty years ago I didn't have a vision, only a desire to keep the ship in the water," said Wattley, who grew up in St. Mark, and where his mother and father still attend. "My greatest joy is having my parents in the church." Wattley added. Over twenty years, many dreams have come to fruition for the St. Mark congregational

family. They have grown to a 350-member congregation, and have over seventeen outreach ministries, including the "Double Nickel luncheon," a ministry for those fifty-five years of age and over.

His mother, Martha Wattley, said, "His calling came as a surprise, we were not expecting it."

"It's all I can do not to cry sometimes," said his father. Willie Wattley, former mayor Pro-Tem Emeritus. But Wattley added that he couldn't do any of this without the help of a great team. His team consists of seven ministers, and together they address many community issues. "It's not about these four walls, it's about evangelizing. The greatest challenge for this and presumably most churches is the evangelizing, because we

Dallas, TX 75226 Sponsorship opportunities available.

Teen Graffiti magazine is recruiting members for all Advisory three Teen Councils: South Dallas, Garland/Richardson and Grand Prairie. Ages grades 7 - 12, diverse backgrounds. Interested teens must submit an application, available at muddle high school and high school librarians, and online at www.teengraffiti.com. Or call Sharon Jones-Scaife at 972-496-9457.

Wild West Fest in Downtown McKinney, September 27 & 28. With a variety of artists, arts & crafts, live western music, historical reenactments, demonstrations, a children's game area and lots of good eats. A fun weekend for the entire family. For more information contact the McKinney Downtown Association at: 972.562.6880.

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Deborah Gibson-Moreland

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## North Texas Job Corps to Host Academic Olympics

Ms. Deborah Outhavong,

student Academic Advisor has

participated in past competitions.

On October 5, 2003, the enough you can do it". North Texas Job Corps Center will embark upon its annual mental of adventure enlightenment, the Academic Ms. Outhavong says, "The Olympics. This is a fun stimulating and competition involving teams of students from across the country. Every year thousands of students vie for the chance to represent their center as a part of a 5member team.

This year the North Texas Job Corps Center has put together a dynamic group of young people that are ready to bring home the gold. Student Cheleaum Drummond, participating in the Academic Olympics is a student's oratory completion, states that the Job Corps program and participating in the Academic Olympics has showed him that he can achieve anything he puts his mind to, saying "If you can think and focus and want it bad



Academic Student Cheleaum Drummond, participating in the oratory completion

opportunity to be challenged to perform "perfectly" under pressure. This is the ultimate test of professionalism. These students are examples of what it takes to win in a competitive world."

Not only are the teams vying for national recognition there is also scholarships monies at stake. Over the course of the year, Job Corps centers around

the country solicit donations that go towards the scholarship fund. This year the North Texas Job Corps Center contribution is \$500.00. This years' Academic Olympics members have been addressing various community and corporate organizations in order to raise their obligation. The winning team is awarded scholarships which are

divided among its' members. For more information on how you can make a donation to the North Texas Job Corps Center programs, please contact Renaldo J. Williams, Business and Community Liaison, North Texas Job Corps, 972.547.7873.

**Garland NAACP Youth Council** Hosts Town Hall Meeting

Garland ISD recently held its Alternative Center Program, town hall meeting, "Keeping Garland ISD Resource Out of Trouble", sponsored by Officers Program, and Garland ISD Student Services, Garland ISD Student Code of

John W Washington, GISD assistant superintendent, and the Youth Council. The meeting took place at the Lakeview Centennial High School in Garland. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss truancy

dropout rates, Left, Naima Blake, secretary, and racial NAACP Youth Council; Right, Kybron Hubbard, 2nd vice profiling in the president, NAACP Youth Council area schools.

Other topics Garland included

Conduct overview, Also, during the town

hall meeting,

Garland Police

Gang Unit was

there to discuss

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various ways of keeping violence out of schools. Along with the discussions on how to keep

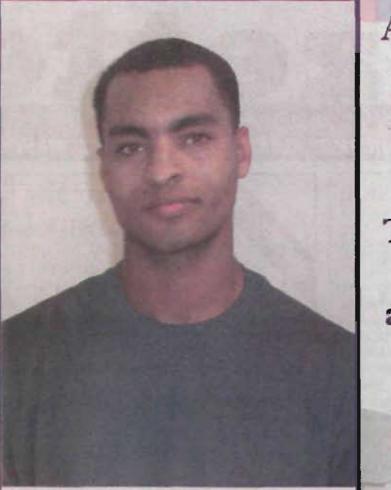
youth out of trouble, after the meeting, the kids had the

discussed chance to socialize with kids ISD from surrounding schools.

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## Editorial

## THE TRUTH CLINIC

## Regressing Into The New Age of Non-Responsibility

responsibility was the catch phrase of politicians and reformers pushing to change the welfare system. It now appears, having survived both the Age of Aquarius and the "me" generation, we are regressing into a new Age characterized by total nonresponsibility. And, to our detriment, it is being embraced across the diverse lines of social strata, race, age, politics, religion, and geography.

As individuals we try and avoid responsibility for anything. Any problem can be blamed on some one or unknown some force. uncontrollable Pointing the finger of blame outward seems to he the order of the day for government, corporate, civic, and celebrity high brows down to the individual at the bottom of the pecking order. The leaders set the example and the masses follow suit. The evidence of this trend is all around us.

Palestinian leader Arafat for the break down of the Road Map to peace. The plan was doomed when Arafat's prime minister, Abu Mazen, was tasked to dismantle the terrorist's infrastructure as a condition of Israel accepting the plan. It does not take a wizard to figure out that if neither superpower America nor Israel have been able to neutralize terrorism it would be an impossible task for a novice prime minister with no military force at his disposal. The key for America in the blame for failure is being shifted to others.

Al- Qaida terrorists were perponsible for the 911 streek on America and the 1993

A few years ago, personal Center. They blew up the embassies in Africa and bombed the USS Cole. There was no involvement by Iran, Iraq, North Korea, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, Hezbollah, the Taliban, Muslims in general or anybody else. Instead of focusing America's vast resources on tracking down and destroying al-Qaida the Administration used deceptive scare tactics to cast a wide net of blame. By declaring a general war on terrorism and not the al-Qaida in particular, President Bush made enemies of people who were not our enemies.

The City of Dallas runs its own version of the finger pointing blame game. The recent firings of the Police Chief and the Chief Information Officer illustrate. A long festering problem comes to light; the mayor immediately second guesses what should have happened and puts the city manager on the defensive; the city council feigns surprise over something they should have been on top Our President now blames of; the city attorney issues a statement that implies that no employee every city communicates with that office; and the city manager is adamant that he will not answer any questions.

Religious leaders, who we expect would be rock solid in taking responsibility, have exhibited a ready willingness for blaming others for their misdeeds. This has not been limited to any particular religious denomination even though the spotlight has lately been shining on the Catholic Church. Its handling of the whole peace process is the child abuse cases has been one long tortuous denial of responsibility. Only recently, after years of overt antagonism towards the victims, has there? been a softening of attitude be sent to the writer at: attack on the World Trade and an initial acceptance of

responsibility.

Black America should view this new age of nonresponsibility with special concern. Government programs, affirmative action, and educational assistance are all being curtailed or cut and political power is being diminished through questionable redistricting maneuvers. The opportunity for these setbacks is Black dependence based on a victimization attitude and too little self-directed action. This is not to deny past or current inequities but the time has come when it is mandatory to deal with present realities. And the reality is Blacks must do for themselves because no one else is.

It has been said, "When we want to do something we find a way, but when we don't we find an excuse." You're unappreciated, misunderstood, your parents raised you wrong, the school didn't teach you the right thing, the system is against you, you're broke, unemployed, and you made a lot of mistakes. There is nothing you can do about it because you are too young, too old, you are under-educated, overweight, and can't conform. The blame game may make us feel better, but it does not solve problems.

The issue of selfresponsibility has acquired a new urgency in the new world dynamic. Today's world needs men and women who are able and willing to think, to respond to problems proactively based on facts rather than blindly following the wishes of irresponsible selfserving leaders.

James W. Breedlove ----Comments or opinions may www.truthclinic.com

## Imagine This Happening To You

Author Unknown

One Sunday morning during 2,000-member service. ล congregation was surprised to see two men enter, both covered from head to tee in black and carrying submachine guns.

One of the men proclaimed,"Anyone willing to take a bullet for Christ remain where you are."

Immediately, the choir fled, the deacons fled, most of the congregation fled.

Out of the 2,000 there only remained! around 20. The man who had spoken,

took off his hood, looked at the preacher and said

"Okay Pastor, I got rid of all the

hypocrites. Now you may begin your service. Have a nice day!" And the two men turned and walked out.

Too deep not to pass on...

Funny how simple it is for people to trash God ... and then wonder why the world is in the condition it is today,.

Funny how we believe what the newspapers say, but question what the Bible says.

Funny how everyone wants to go to heaven provided they do not have to believe, think, say, or do anything the Bible says. Funny or is it scary?

Funny how someone can say "I believe in God" but still follow Satan (who, by the way, also

"believes"in God).

Fun! ny how the lewd, crude, vulgar and obscene pass freely through cyb er space, but the public discussion of Jesus is suppressed in the school and work place.

Funny, isn't it? Funny how someone can be so fired up for Christ on Sunday, but be an invisible Christian the rest of the week.

Are you laughing?

Funny how you can be more worried about what other people think of you than what God thinks of you.

Are you thinking?

## CCCCD Hosts A New "Dia De La Comunidad" in Conjunction with the Back to College Fair

CCCCD will host its family or high school Fair" in conjunction with "Dia de la Comunidad," (Community Day) from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 4 at the Spring Creek Campus, 2800 E. Spring Creek Pkwy. in Plano. The event is free and open to the public.

As part of the new Día de la Comunidad events, the computer lab will have information and access to Hispanic websites, there will be tables on campus with information on financial aid, ESL, admissions, health issues and Hispanic-owned businesses. There will also be a book drive and piñatabreaking contest. The CCCCD Guitar Ensemble will perform music from Spain and Central and South America beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The Back-to-College Fair will also offer helpful information to all adults who want to make a life change but are not sure where to start or which direction to take. Whether you are a single parent, struggling Volunteer

annual "Back to College student, CCCCD offers the education vou need to get a better job or start on your career path. You can also learn about community resources, on- and offcampus support services and attend seminars. free Children are encouraged to attend with their parents, as there will be games, face painting and snacks.

> Representatives from various community organizations and local universities will be available to answer questions and provide information about their services. Agencies represented include Adapt of Texas, Bank One, Collin County Children's Advocacy Center, Maximus (Medicaid Managed Care Enrollment), Mother's Day Out, National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, North Central Texas Workforce Commission, Stephen F. Austin University, T Davis School, Independent University of Phoenix, University of North Texas, Lisabeth University of Texas at Dallas, 972.377.1627 or email

Center, as well numerous departments and programs within CCCCD.

Workshops will include College 101, Connecting Your College Major to Your Future Career, Managing Performance Anxiety and Paying for College: How to Apply for Financial Aid.

Collin County Community College District serves more than 38,000 credit and continuing education students annually and offers more than 100 degree and certificate programs in a wide range of disciplines. In addition, the CCCCD is a partner to business, government and industry, providing customized training and work force development.

For more information about the Back-to-College Fair, contact Tracey Fleniken at 972.377.1671 or email tfleniken@ccccd.edu. - For information about the Dia de la Comunidad, contact Lassiter at McKinney llassiter(accecd.edu.

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## Is the sky clearest on the day it is most blue?

While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc., formerly a Dallas based renaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano. Texas

and changed our name to MON-The Gazette. In addition to moving our offices to Plano, our editorial coverage has also shifted to encompass Dallas' Northern Corridor. The Northern Corridor is clearly the fastest growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Gazette believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most visible of many area opportunities. As always, and true



to tradition, MON-The Gazette will be there carving a world of opportunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parody outside the southern region or just want to know what is going on up north-

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from 8:00 am to 5 pm, Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 1819 North Washington, Dallas, Texas, will host their first annual C. H. Hale Prostate event will also include a Cancer Foundation, Play for the Cure. The event will be a and lots of entertainment. family-filled festival, including 3 on 3 basketball tournaments,

Madden 2004 tournaments, and spade tournaments, as well as Bid Whisk, checkers, chess and a barbecue cook off. The moonwalk (jumper) for kids, While their goal is to raise money for public awareness

encourages members and friends to attend and Play For The Cure, and save lives. If you would like to participate in the events, or if you would like to volunteer, please call Bro. Eric Guy at 214.398.3038 or email him at RealPlayazincu cs.com.

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get too comfortable," said Wattley. "We love to gather, we love to praise, and because we are social creatures, we gather with people who are like us. I often ask people when the last time was that they had someone in their home who wasn't saved?"

Wattley added emphatically, "The more you refuse to let your light shine unto other who are in darkness, the less opportunity you have to be a witness."

He said it can be as simple as having a small bible on the corner of your desk, "The Holy Spirit will do the rest." A graduate of Southern Bible Institute, Wattley said his greatest challenge has been in the evangelizing outreach.

"Everyone is not at the same place at the same time. Jesus led people to where they were to be. My goal is to be at the right place at the right time in leading God's people, and if I have done that, then I have accomplished something," said Wattley.

At his anniversary service, Deborah Dill spoke emotionally about Wattley, saying, "I grew up with him. To honor him today is almost surreal."

His third grade teacher, Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, said, "It's impossible to be short-winded when speaking about Pastor Wattley but I'll try." She shared childhood through adulthood stories that fashioned the pastor as a humorous, compassionate and visionary man.

Kimberly Ellis Johnson gave a flamboyant and comical presentation. Johnson is Wattley's 'first church child,' and has been a member of St. Marks for twentyseven years.

"Pastor Wattley used to pick me up in an awful three shades of green bus. He would drive all over Dallas in that ugly green bus picking up kids and dropping them off every Sunday," Johnson remembered.

Two church members who drive a long way to St. Mark's are Sylvia Devers, who has driven from Richardson for the past eighteen years, and Alice Kelly, who drives from Cedar Hill each week.

"His love for Christ and St. Mark keeps me coming back," said Devers.

Kelly, the singles ministry leader said, "Pastor Wattley leads by example, he won't ask you to do anything that he wouldn't do."

And Mother Tolston, age 82, said, "Pastor is truly my friend. I've been coming to St. Mark since I was nine years old. I've known him all his life, he's a man of his word."

"In the beginning I surrounded myself with people who were already working in the vineyard."

Pastor Gilbert Allen delivered the anniversary message, Steadfastness - Everything you need is in the word of God.'

He told a story about a young college student who called his father requesting fare to come home. When he received a package in the mail rather than an envelope, he stuffed it in a suitcase, and begrudgingly hitchhiked home. When he got home he asked his father why he hadn't sent any money, and his father replied, "You should have opened the package, I stuffed your fare in a bible." The church erupted in laughter, but the message was clear.

The church also recognized the achievements of Sammy, a member for twenty-one years who had just obtained his pilors license, and the well wishing of an exchange student on her way to England

Pastor Cecil Smith, Mt. Pisgah Missionary Baptist Church; Pastor S.C. Nash, Mt. Tabor missionary Baptist Church; Pastor Kavin Brown, Bethlehem Christian Church; Pastor Isaiah Moore, St. Phillips Baptist Church; and Pastor Franklin Wilson, Mt. Pilgrim Freewill Baptist Church; were guests for the twentieth year celebration.

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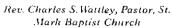
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## Community Spotlight

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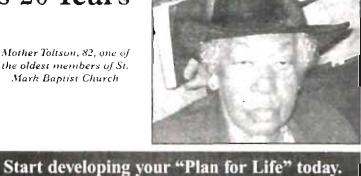
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Mother Toltson, 82, one of the oldest members of St. Mark Baptist Church



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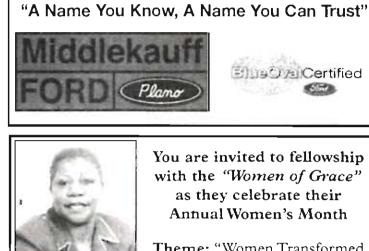
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Sistuh, Sistuh, Sistuh, a non profit organization, will provide life skills workshops Saturday's, through December 13, 2003, from 10:00-11:30, with the goal of empowering women with informational sessions on topics such as self-esteem, finances, computer literacy, obtaining employment and goal setting. At St Phillip's School and Community Center, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas Texas 75215. 214.421.5221 ext.122.

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#### Through - October 5 Plano Repertory Theatre

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#### Through October 18

The ArtCentre of Plano will feature works by contemporary Iranian artists in A Breeze from the Gardens of Persia: through October 18. Includes approximately 90 works by Iranian artists, including more than 20 women. Works were chosen in collaboration with Iranian curators from the Tehran Museum of Contemporary Art and Tehran Arts University. Downtown Plano at the corner of 15th Street and Avenue K. Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free. For more information: 972.423.7809.

#### September 27

"Putting It On Paper" - A teen writing seminar, 8am - 5p.m. for Community Center Cooperation, 2900 Live Oak, Dallas. Includes workshops, manual, breakfast, lunch. For 16-19 year olds who aspire t a career in the literary field. Select students will have the opportunity to write for Teen Graffiti Magazine. For additional information call Ann Fields at 1.877.842.6686, or visit: www.writersed.com. Limited seating.

The City of Plano's Children's Environmental Discovery Gardens opens, 9:00 a.m. -- 11:30 a.m., in a free public gala celebration, 4100 West Plano Parkway. Children can crawl through an imitation worm

be on a contest team, or for Plano's "Kids in the Garden" after-school gardening program for 3rd-5th graders. Contact Merchant: Heather 972.769.4111.

#### October 1

The McKinney Public Library Book Club will meet at noon, in the Dulaney Room of the Library, 101 E. Hunt St. The meeting topic will be to discuss Margaret Atwood's The Handmaiden's Tale. All adults who have read the book and would like to discuss it are invited. For more information contact Bailey: Lisa 972 547 7305

#### October 3

The Prairie View A&M University Alumni - Dallas Chapter 8th Annual Athletic Scholarship Gala, Doubletree Hotel at Lincoln Center, 5410 LBJ Freeway, Dallas. 7:30 p.m. midnight. Champagne reception 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. \$65.00 per person. Attire - sharp & glitzy. Contact Kimberly Runnels at 972.289.9942.

#### Through October 4

Light the Night Walk 2003, with the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Light the night and brighten the future for millions touched by cancer. Begins 5p.m., ends 9p.m., at The Shops at Legacy, 5760 Legacy Drive, Piano. Visit: www.lightthenight.org, or call

at 9 a.m. from the steps of Dallas City Hall. To register for the walk call 214.443.9255, or visit: www.AIDSLifeWalk.org. Walkups are welcome the day of the event for minimum registration. fee of \$25.

David Bates, this year's Legend Award Artist, is honored in the main gallery at The Contemporary. Wood reliefs and paintings created over the past 20 years. Bates experiments with a range of materials and techniques. Located in the Wilson Historic District, three blocks east of Good Latimer on the north edge of Deep Ellum, Free, Tuesday Saturday 10-5p.m. Call 214.821.2522, or info/a thecontemporary.net.

#### October 7

Quad C Theatre at Collin County Community College announces auditions for 'The Compleat Works of Wilm. Shkspr (abridged), a comedy. Casting 3 male and 3 female actors, age range 20's to 40's. Open call 7 p.m. - 10 p.m., callbacks October 8. At the Black Box Theatre, Spring Creek Campus (Jupiter Road at Spring Creek Pkwy.). One minute Shakespearean monologue - please be funny. Contact 972.881.5679, or email: bbaker a ccccd edu.

#### Support Groups

Healing Matters Grief Support Group meets the fourth Monday

#### Volunteer opportunities

The Plano Animal Shelter need volunteers over 16 years old to wash and walk the animals, help with clerical services and customer service. 972.578.7510. And here's a friendly reminder that there are thousands of pets at shelters needing homes, or consider being a foster parent while permanent homes are found for animals. Contact your local animal shelter for details.

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#### Blackonomics Page 1

#### I although stumble sometimes, I do whatever I can, within my simple sphere of influence, to make a positive difference in the lives of others by sharing information and knowledge through this column and in the classes I teach. Most important to me, as I find myself on the national stage radio, speaking via engagements, and newspapers across this country, is that I have a conscience that will not allow me to mistreat my brother or sister, and I have a consciousness that pushes me contribute to to our economic uplift.

It's too bad we do not have more political leaders, from the president on down, who are just as concerned about the welfare of their fellow man as they are about filling their pockets with billions of dollars in ill-gotten wealth. It's too bad we don't have political leaders who will not sacrifice the lives of young men and women for profit, pretending they hold these young people in high esteem but leaving them abandoned and neglected when they come home from war.

It's too bad we don't have more corporate leaders who care enough about the state of our country, its citizens and our children, to stop stealing money, to stop their utter greed, and their ridiculous lust for "things" at any cost. It's too bad, as we have watched several tycoons get hauled off to prison for bilking their customers and employees, that what we saw was just the proverbial tip of the corporate scandal iceberg. It's too bad that we can sit back and watch these things only to think that as long as we "get ours" everything is all - from a company with which he jelingman@blackonomics.com

#### right.

of

seems to pervade this country

include the recent case of

Vanessa Turner, a 41-year-old

army sergeant who suffered an

allergic reaction during her

tour of duty in Iraq. It put her

into in coma and caused nerve

damage to one of her legs. This

mother of a teenage daughter

came home to the bureaucracy

inefficient veterans' hospital

system, homeless and having

to sleep on her friends floors

and couches. While George

Bush says "bring 'em on"

Turner can't find affordable

housing nor get the proper

help she needs as one who

served her country under this

cowboy of a president we have.

He's safe and sound and well

taken care of, having never

served in a military conflict,

not to mention a war, while

Sgt. Turner and her daughter

How about Dick Cheney

and his so-called "no financial

ties with Halliburton" mantra?

This guy has a job that pays

him around \$200,000 per year,

which he doesn't have to spend

because all of his expenses are

taken care of by "the people,"

In addition, he gets a couple of

hundred G's from Halliburton

every year, the company he

used to head but now bas no

financial ties with, and sits

back and watches while

government to reconstruct

Iraq, the country he and his

evil cabal invaded and

destroyed. It was reported that

Cheney made \$36 million

from Halliburton the year he

accepted the lowly job of vice

president. Why would he leave?

Does he love his country that

much? Or, does he just love

that no-bid money he gets

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Halliburton

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have no place to live.

our ineffective and

has no financial ties? What crooks we have in charge of A few examples of the hypocrisy and thievery that this country.

> One last example is Richard Grasso, former chairman of the New York Stock Exchange. He left his position with a \$140 million "pay package," more than four times the profit made by the exchange last year. He made \$30 million in salary in 2001! No wonder they clap and cheer when the market opens and closes. That's nice work if you can get it. Grasso made so much money that it even embarrassed the insiders on Wall Street, those hardened profiteers who never have enough. They said they just could no longer rationalize giving this guy that kind of money, but they are the ones who allowed Grasso to select his own compensation team. He started out at \$2 million in 1995 and increased his salary fifteen-fold to \$30 million in 2001. The insiders called his pay a bit too "generous." Well, duh!

These are the kinds of people who are running our country into the abyss of hell. They are the hypocrites, but now you have the knowledge. What are you going to do about it?

lames E. Clingman, an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati's African-American Studies department, is former editor of the Cincinnati Herald Newspaper and founder of the Greater Cincinnati African American Chamber of Commerce. He hosts the radio program, "Blackonomics," and is the author of the book, "Economic Empowerment or Economic Enslavement-We have a Choice." For speaking engagements, he can be reached at (513) 489-4132, or e-mail bv 21

Local TV Seeks Talent Page 1

A native of Los Angeles, she is right at home in the audience of aspiring performers.

A staffer announces their recent TV deal; she responds humbly; "Great, I want you all to grow and move on." "Talent in the Hood" is only a stepping stone for what you can become."

She has an impressive list of television and film exposure in front of and behind the camera. Diane Keaton's "Baby Boom", Tina Turner's, "What's Love Got to Do with it" Chuck Norris' "Walker Texas Ranger" and Tim Reid's "Frank's Place" to name a few. A graduate of Grambling State University, Gibson-Moreland led the way through choreography, cheerleading numerous and beauty pageants, (Miss TX/America Pageant, Miss Black TX State Scholarship, Miss LA/America) and various others

Actress, Kristin Lyn, a native of Houston said, "I've been acting for twelve years." "It's all I know or care to do." "There is no down time. I'm always looking for the next audition, the next performance," she added. "It's the same with writing". Before I've finished one play. I'm already working on the next concept," said Jackie Walsh, playwright/actor and mother of four boys. "My husband is a big help along with prayer, lots of prayer." Jackie whose latest piece entitled "Bathroom Drama" will soon be televised on DCTV.

"It's encouraging to work with young writers, they're not afraid to make mistakes," said Gibson-Moreland. "I'm glad they want to work with me because it was only natural for

business," she added. Gibson-Moreland, who comes from a family of thirteen, says her mother's unique ability at them "Puttin" Shows 'Together'' a phrase she playfully describes and is reminiscent of such headliners as "The Five Blind Boys", "the Mighty Clouds of Joy", and "The Jackson Southerners", just some of the her groups mother orchestrated while her Dad 'gigged' along the "Chittlin' "Coming from a Circuit." large family, you don't need a gang. "We were "the gang". Mike Anthony Gibson, retiree of the United States Navy, and James "E-Mack" Gibson are two of her siblings who've come aboard to help with the production. "That is why I support the 'Boys and Girls Club'." "They're actively pursuing the safety of our children by providing refuge from the street gangs, through after school activities, said Gibson-Moreland.

me to be in the entertainment

"My son was murdered in the streets." "My drive is in his memory of what he could've become." "Too often we forget the children."

During open call, Ernestine Armstrong and her daughters Ruth, Patricia and Ruby, known as the Armstrong Family Singer, sang America's song, "God Bless America".

"My attention is now turned to the melodic and rich sounds nurtured from over forty years of breeding; I've been singing for over forty years", said Armstrong from the "Armstrong Family Singers". Originally from Garland and Greenville Texas, the family's gospel ties are evident as they sing the smooth rhythms to "One Day". "We have always sang gospel and worked with missionaries", Armstrong said proudly. The family will be featured September 28, at the show's taping in the Cassidy Restaurant.

There is an arena for those of us who are considered the "Lesser talented".

and within that pool of people, some won't make the cut to the"American Idols".

"It's not always because they're not good enough." "Image plays an important role as well."

Miss Gibson-Moreland's resume boasts of her stage presence at the Image, American Music, Essence, Soul Train, and the Grammy Awards shows along with various other widely Television publicized productions.

Gibson-Moreland says that "Talent in the Hood" is a stepping-stone for those aspiring to become the big star, and her husband adds that it is not just for "We believe in minorities. reaching all. This smorgasborg, which God has designed, consist of all people and as we do God's work, His blessing will be upon it," Moreland said.

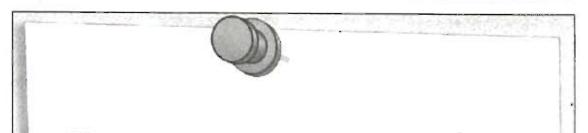
For upcoming productions/information i s i  $\mathbf{V}^{c}$ t talent\_in\_the\_hood@netzer o.com or write 10 F. U. T. U. R. E. PRODUCTIONS @ P.O. Box 461541, Garland, TX 75046-1541

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## HUB BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

General Solicitation Notice to Texas Certified HUBs and small minority vendors.

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- is it Women Owned?

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- Company contact phone number (s) including office, cell, fax, and e-mail
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- Location where goods / services are being offered
- Pricing list for goods/service being offered 14
- 15. Discount and/or warranties offered?
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- Is the business interested in becoming a State Certified HUB/ B. Business Trade References. (please provide a minimum of 3)
  - Name of Trade Reference. (Company and contact person) Address of Trade Reference Phone # of Trade Reference contact

All submission of letters of laterent and supporting pricing information should be post marked no later than October 1, 2003. Denission of any responses to the requested information may disguality potential vendors. To submit information please mail complete mat te materials so: GTECH Corporation, HUB Opportunity Solicitations, 8200 Cameron Rd, Ste, E-140, Austin, Texas 78754, (512) 908-4200

Any questions on these solicitation opportunities should be directed to:

HUB Coordinators, GTECH Corporation, HUB Opportunities, 8200 Cameron Rd, Ste. E-140, Austin, Texas 78754, (800) 460-2878 E-mail inquimes can be made to: hub\_operator@gtech.com, Fax inquiries can be made to: (512) 339-0405 All inquires should be made no later than October 1, 2003.

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Computer / Central System Repair	Services for computer hardware troubleshooting, repair
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Conditions Services	Miscellaneous consulting services based on hourly rates
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Equipment Rental and Leasing	Purchase of individual trophies, shirts, certificates and other items
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Freight	Maintenance & repair of Yale electric pallet jacks & Yale sit-down forklifts with
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These games will close on October 31, 2003. You have until April 29, 2004 to redeem any winning tickets for these games.







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Game #378 (\$1)

Armadillo Dollars

"Overali Odds are 1 in 4.42

## Plano's Inaugural Black Family Technology Day An event targeted at the Douglas Community

Black Family Technology Day will be the first event of its type. will be held Saturday, September 27 at Collin County Community College's Conference, Center (F108), located at 2800 E Spring Creek Parkway, from E00-E00pm. The program will begin with keynote speaker, that exists in many families in the Deputy Regional Director for US Senator Cornyn, Edward R. Smith, Jr. Thereafter, Mr. Smithwill be joined by Dr. Tanya Dugat-Wickliff President & CEO of TANCOe, Mrs. Taiwan Brown of TI's BEL and Ms. Kayla Adams of Evolution Academy Following the panel there will be two break-out sessions titled Computer Fun for the children and Internet Resources for the parents. "With the theme of 'accelerating. the information to accelerate the learning' and supporting that ideal by equipping families with home computers and calculators, this is indeed a highlight for Plano and a model for other Texas communities," stated Mr. Smith.

Today approximately 25 African-American families will participate in the Inaugural Black Family Technology Day of Black Engineers (NSBE) host

Plano, TX- The Plano area Community in east Plano. This fulfilling this mission while Alpha contributed their give-a-ways and targeting the African-American community in which local businesses and organizations will sponsor a day of enlightenment about technology in an effort to bridge the digital information gap area.

Hosting a Black Family Technology Day in Plano was an idea that Dr. Dannellia Gladden-Green wanted to create a catalyst for addressing the tough issue of socio-economically challenged vouths and their access to information at the end of an internet line. Many people underestimate the need for this type of outreach in Plano, and yet the need exists," Dr. Gladden-Green said. She further stated that the impetus for this event grew out of a myriad of related experiences. "Organizationally, I am active with several national bodies having targeted programs such as this." There is a Black Family Technology Awareness Week, founded by the Career Communications Group, held annually around the country in February. The National Society targeting Plano's Douglas local and regional programs

Second Kappa Aipau Incorporated AKA nas Technology and the Black Pamily as elements of its national and local program thrusts," she said.

Area sponsors include Texas Instruments' Black Employee The Initiative TI-BEL., Metroplex chapters of NSBE and North Carolina A&T State University (NCA&TSU), the Chi Zeta Omega Chapter of AKA, SAGEsse Consulting and Raytheon's Ray-BEN group. TI-BEI will donate two computers to be won by a registering family. Dr. Wayne Jones was instrumental in securing the CCCCD campus at Spring Creek as the host facility. Other sponsors have

their members' time as speakers. registrars, and publicists. "This is a great day in the community and the Black Employee Initiative of TI is glad to be able to contribute to its success," said Taiwan Brown of TI University Relations. Alpha Kappa Alpha has a long history for promoting educational advancement of which reading has been a core element. Taking it to the next level by promoting access to digital information and technology is a worthwhile endeavor for all," said Vanessa Johnson, the president of the Chi Zeta Omega Chapter of AKA.

For more information, call Kelvin Green at 214-636-0691.

Stephanie Ward Gallery 2546 Elm St. Dallas, Texas 75226

Custom Framing Sale 30% off all frames and - 50% off all in stock frames. All framed art is 40% off (Beautiful reproductions and originals included in this sale) Sale ends Sept. 27, 2003.

Come visit the gallery. We have a host of new original artwork by local artists - huge contemporary abstracts, figurative and cubist styles.

We will be hosting a series of seminars on collecting and appreciating art new through November. If you are interested please send us your e-mail and mailing address. Topics will include: understanding cubism; Art appreciation 101; Collecting 101; Framing and preserving you art work; The scoop on art appraisal. The philosophy of modern art: History of folk and figurative art. Understanding the secondary market and other topics. First Seminar is scheduled for Sept. 26, 2003 "Basic Art Undersatanding." Call for more details 214.752.5588

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Home Is Where The Art Is Stephanic's gallery is hosting a contest called "Home Is Where The Art Is." Show us how you displayed your art purchased from the gallery and win up to \$500 in custom framing. Send a photograph of the art hanging in your home. If it appears on our website we will e-mail you a certificate.

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#### King's Mission Page 1

with Primerica. Charles, who is a graduate of North East Louisiana University, was a software engineer, and had worked for IBM and EDS. Angela, a graduate of Tarrant County College, was in banking and finance. The Kings have been married for over seven years and have a three-year-old daughter.

They said that being business owners, being married and having a child, has given them further incentive to help other families with their finances.

"I enjoy having a Primerica business because I am able to help people understand that saving for the future is important," said Angela King

As Primerica representatives, they meet with clients and prospective clients, to conduct a Financial Needs Analysis. Through this analysis, they are able to offer financial solutions. in many areas, including Income Protection - making

Mr. King said that Primerica also helps people plan for additional life insurance outside of their employment, because if they loose their job, they also loose their life insurance. He added that he and his wife have a large minority clientele that they are happy to help succeed in their finances.

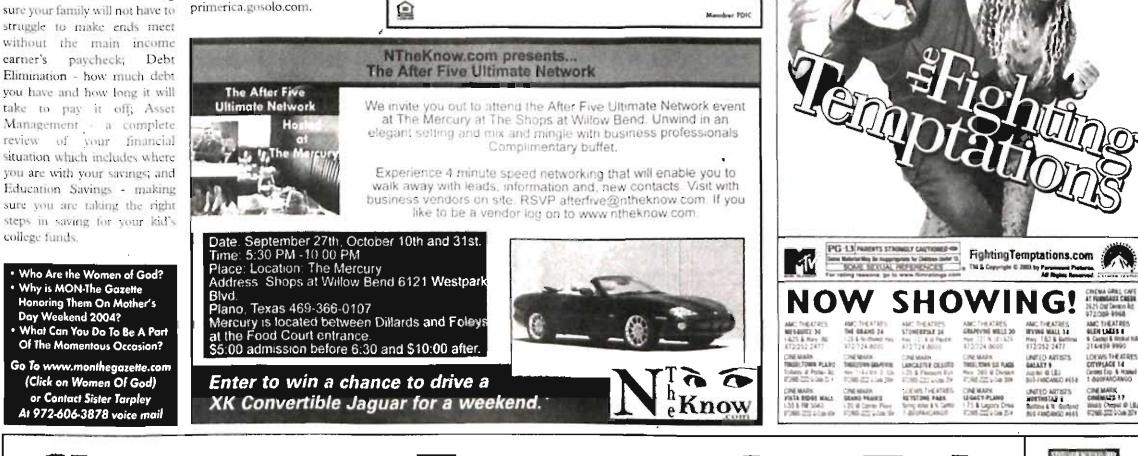
"Ninety-five percent of our clientele is black, and our number one goal as Primerica business owners is to educate people about life insurance, investing, saving money for retirement and more," said Charles King.

The Kings added that as part of its mission to help families become debt free and financially independent, Primerica also offers opportunities to become a Primerica business owner. They said being a Primerica business owner gives you a lot of flexibility in your schedule, and you are able to maintain control of your income. For more information, please call 877-265-5030 or visit

struggle to make ends meet without the main income earner's paycheck; Debt Elimination - how much debt you have and how long it will take to pay it off; Asset Management - a complete review of your financial situation which includes where you are with your savings; and Education Savings - making sure you are taking the right steps in saving for your kid's college funds.

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## Jazz's Finest to Play at Bass Hall October 6

Lincoln Center Orchestra is composed of 15 of the finest jazz soloists of 15 of the finest jazz soloists and ensemble players today, including Wynton Marsalis, the most accomplished and acclaimed jazz artist and composer of his generation. In being addition to а distinguished classical musician, the Pulitzer Prizewinning artist has helped propel jazz to the forefront of American culture through his brilliant performances, Barker recordings, educational efforts, and his the vision as Artistic Director of Orleans Jazz at Lincoln Center. During and Heritage its 2002 performance at Bass Festival, and Hall, the Lincoln Center Jazz when he was 14

Jazz orchestra plaudits all night long, Music Center at Tanglewood leader (1981). Then in early great critical acclaim in the early playing is firmly rooted in bop " note the Star-Telegram.

"Wynton Marsalis is the most influential jazz artist of our time." - Entertainment Weekly From an early age, Wynton

Marsalis studied both jazz and classical music. At about the age of eight, he belonged to a children's marching band led by Danny that compositions, performed at New Jazz

(near Lenox, Massachusetts) 1982, he left the Jazz and while a student at the Messengers to form a quintet Juilliard School he joined Art with his brother Branford, Blakey's Jazz Messengers Kenny Kirkland, the double (1980). He toured in a quartet bass player Charles Fambrough,

toured

win

and the drummer

Jeff Watts; he also

Hancock in 1983 as

a member of the

quintet V.S.O.P. II.

In 1984, he became

the first musician to

awards for both a

jazz recording and a

classical recording

(for his album

Think of One

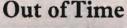
(1982) and his

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Grammy

1980s for his dazzling and hard bop and makes technique, emotional intensity, no use and gift for improvisation; his elements.

of free-jazz.





A small-town cop (Denzel Washington) has a torrid affair with a married woman (Sanaa Lathan) and falls so in love with her that he's convinced one criminal act can allow them to run away together. The woman's former NFL quarterback husband (Dean Cain) and

another cop (Eva Mendes) investigate the crime, but the cop soon falls for Washington too. Starts October 3, 2003

Lost in Translation



with an "endearing generosity Concerto with the New Orleans Carter, and Tony Williams and Johann Nepomuk Hummel, and

that earned Marsalis and hi PO. He attended the Berkshire recorded his first album as a Leopold Mozart). Marsalis won

recording of Orchestra delighted a full house he performed Haydn's Trumpet with Herbie Hancock, Ron trumpet concertos by Haydn,

## **Southwest Airlines State Fair Classic**

will take place on October 4, 2003, at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Texas. This year's event State Fair Classic promotion. will be surrounded by a host of activities to make this the best one vet.

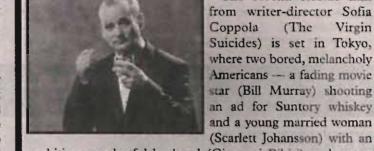
With over 50,000 in attendance, this event is hailed as the largest Black event in the state of Texas. Which makes it a perfect fit to take place during the State Fair of Texas (The largest state fair in the USA.) The classic is between Prairie View A & M and Grambling State University. Although Grambling has won the last few years, the real competition is at halftime with the Southwest Airlines Battle of the Bands. If you don't know you better ask somebody. It is the most amazing performance and friendly competition for the entire family. If you have seen Drumline or Blast you won't want to miss this spectacular performance LIVE!

Kick off is at 7:00 p.m. But it does not stop there. On Monday, September 29, there

\$120,000.00 in Lancaster, Texas

on! The Southwest Airlines and Steve Harvey/Radio One are lucky people will have the final State Fair Classic football game giving away a home valued at chance at winning the house. At half time, there will be five (a suburb of Dallas) as part of the mailboxes and five contestants. Each contestant will choose a www.979thebeat.com or call The home was just completed mailbox. They will open the 214.787.1979. .

Dallas, TX-The Legend Lives Classic this year. Berry Homes and is ready to move in. Five mailboxes at the same time four people will win an entertainment system and one lucky person will win a brand new Berry Home. To qualify for the Berry Home go to



Suicides) is set in Tokyo, where two bored, melancholy Americans - a fading movie star (Bill Murray) shooting an ad for Suntory whiskey and a young married woman (Scarlett Johansson) with an

The second feature film

ambitious, neglectful husband (Giovanni Ribisi) - become fast friends after meeting in a hotel bar. The two spend an adventure-filled week together taking in the sights and getting to know each other. Starts September 12, 2003 in select cities

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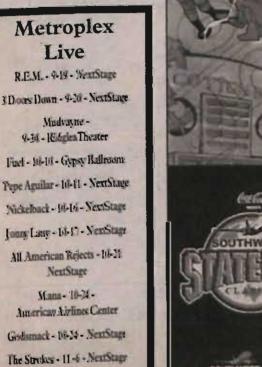
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will be a press conference, Thursday, October 2, The Classic Rumble Boxing Match, Friday, October 3, Classic Comedy Show-Steve Harvey & Friends featuring Steve Harvey, Jay Anthony Brown, Cheryl Underwood and DC Curry, Saturday, October 4, pre-game concert & the SOUTHWEST AIRLINES STATE FAIR CLASSIC and Sunday, October 5, the return of Emmit Smith, Cowboys vs. Cardinals. For those of you who want to continue the excitement into the late night an official after party will be held at Club Life on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night.

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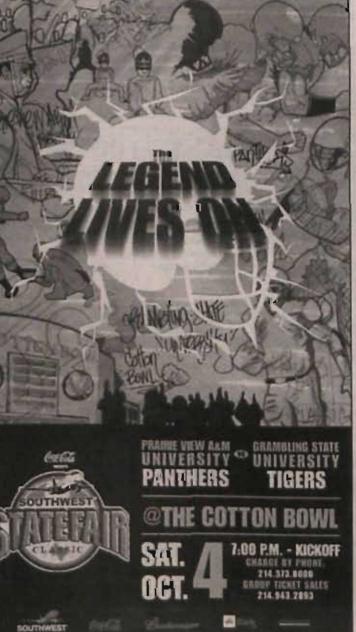
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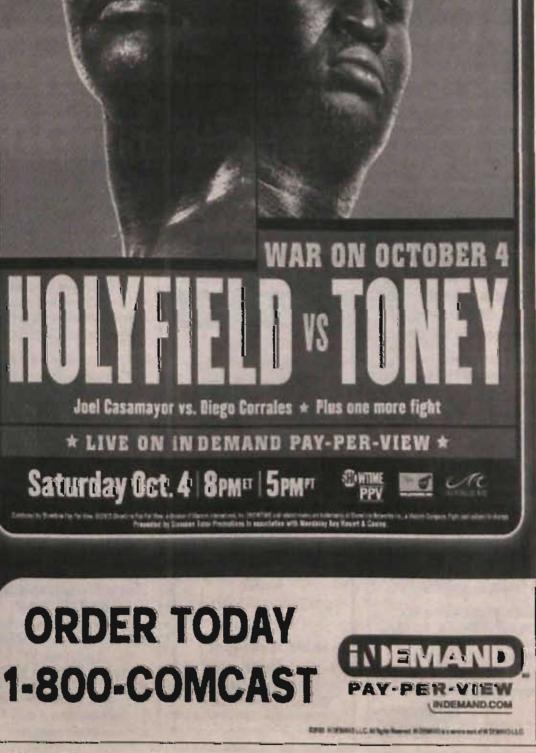




"[The LCJO] is not just a band on tour, but a religious congregation, spreading the word of JAZZ." -- Paul de Barros, Down Beat

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## **Church News**



As a retired scinearin. I would like to share this with correct to achieve to get at walls BKi langl.

I recently read a news publication about Dick Grasse, Chairman and CEO of the New York Stock Exchange resigning his position. The reason for his resignation is that his retirement package of \$140 Million dollars (give or take a lew millions) caused a tidal wave in the business world during a time when our country is in an economic slump and everybody is being asked to tighten their belts.

School districts all over the country are cutting back on school curriculums, classes, teachers, school supplies, etc. Grasso, the man I believe is not doing half as much as teachers, is asking for and is getting a large sum of money. Grasso in some respect owes a lot of what he has learned to his past teachers. I feel that teachers are not given the appreciation that they deserve.

#### THE INTERVIEW Author Unknown

After being interviewed by the school administration, the eager teaching prospect said. "Now let me see if I've got this right.

You want me to go into that

respectful of authority?

From Teacher to Teacher

their every waking moment with a lovefor learning? And I'm supposed to instill a sense of pride in their ethnicity, modify their disruptive behavior, observe them for signs of abuse and even censor their T-shirt messages and dress habits?

You want me to wage a war on drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, check their backpacks for weapons of mass destruction and raise their selfesteem?

classroom with all those kids and fill

You want me to teach them good citizenship. patriotism. sportsmanship, fair play, how to register to vote, how to balance a checkbook, and how to apply for a job? I am to check their heads for lice, maintain a safe environment, recognize signs of antisocial behavior, offer advice, write letters of recommendation for student employment and scholarships, encourage respect for the cultural diversity of others, and oh, make sure that I give the girls in my class fifty percent of my attention?

My contract requires me to work on my own time after school, evenings and weekends grading papers. Also, I must spend my summer vacation at my own expense working toward advance certification and a Masters' degree?

And on my own time you want me to ttend committee and faculty meetings, PTSA meetings and participate in staff development training? I am to be a paragon of virtue, larger than life, such that my very presence will awe my students into being obedient and

And I am to pledge allegiance to family values and the current administration? You want me to incorporate technology into the learning experience, monitor web sites and relate personally with each student? That includes deciding who might be potentially dangerous and or liable to commit a crime in school?

I am to make sure all students pass the mandatory state exams, even those who don't come to school regularly or complete any of their assignments and without any help from their parent or guardiari?

Plus, I am to make sure that all of the students with handicaps get an equal education regardless of the extent of their mental or physical handicap?

And I am to communicate regularly with the parent or guardian by letter, telephone, newsletter and report card?

All of this I am to do with just a piece of chalk or a marking pen, a computer, a few books, a bulletin board, a big smile, AND on a starting salary that qualifies my family for food stamps?

You want me to do all of this and yet you expect me. . NOT TO PRAY?"

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All Nations United Methodist Church Dr. Clara M. Reed. Pastor 3415 East 14th Street Plano, TX 75074 972-424-8500

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#### CARVER HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

September 27, 2:00 pm Vickie Winans, Grammy Award Nominee, to perform

Tickets-Presale \$27 At the door \$32 To purchase tickets or for more information, contact Willene Luper at 214-808-5080

Carver Heights Baptist Church Rev. Tyler Carter, Pastor Rev. Daryl Carter, Co-Pastor. 2510 East Ledbetter Drive Dallas, TX 75216 214-371-2024

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Dawn of a New Day Christian Kingdom Apostle Calvin Brown, Pastor Prophetess Debra Brown 3200 South Lancaster Dallas, TX \*5216 9-2-274-9739

#### FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALLEN

September 28, 3:00 pm The 10th Church Anniversary. quest speaker is Rev Lee Edwards of First Baptist Church, McKinney Texas. Special guests include Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Choir & Willesah & Brandy Pollard of the Inspirations, Praise Ministry of St. John Baptist Church, Grand Prairie, Texas. Theme Abiding in the Tabernacle"

Fellowship Baptist Church of Allen Rev. John Wilson, III, Pastor 200 W. Belmont Drive, Suite B Allen, TX 75013 972-359-9956

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH - THE COLONY Through September 26, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 3rd Annual Women of Worship Choir Workshop

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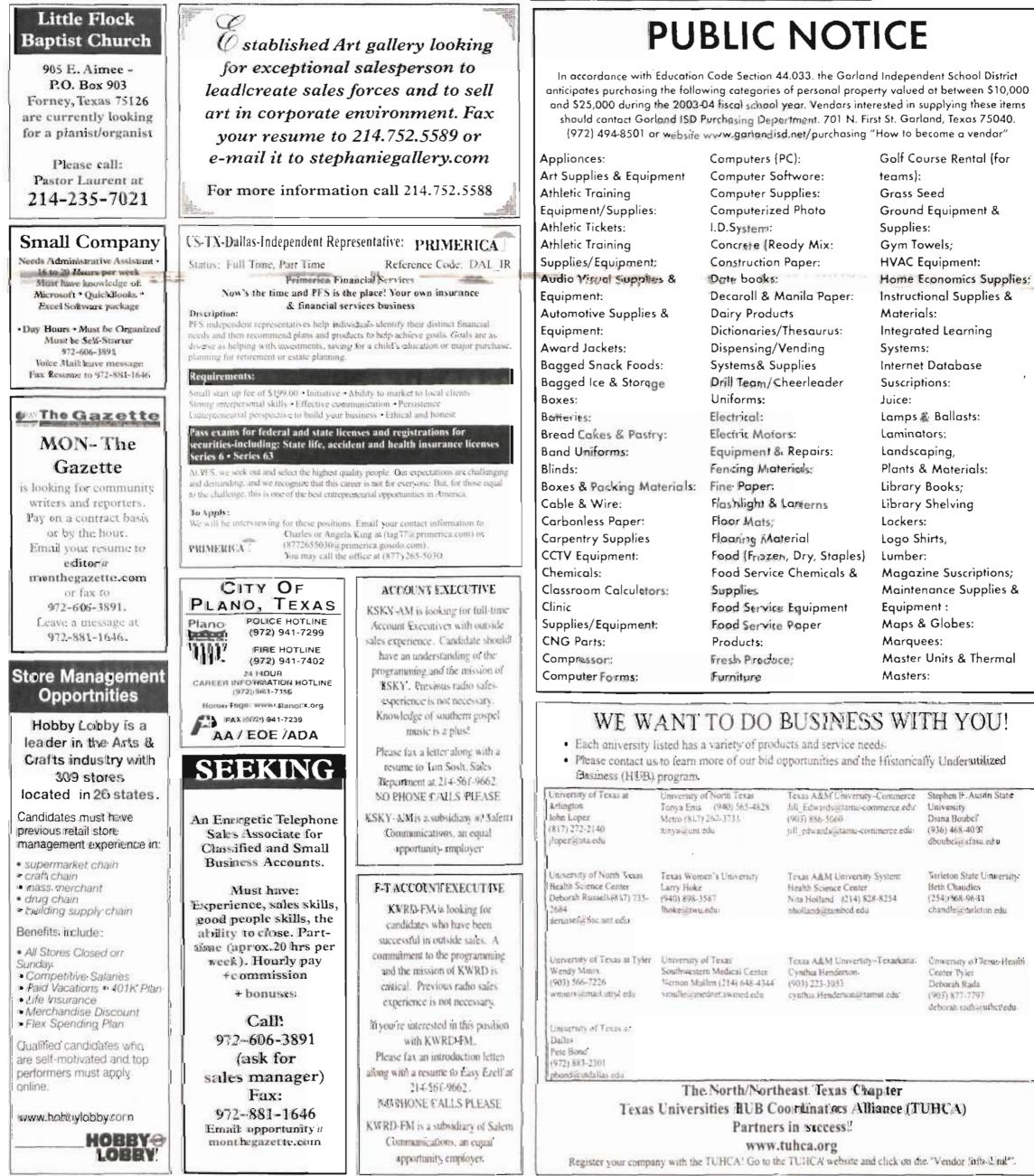
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## **The Plano Community Forum Presents 21st Annual Awards Banquet**

7:30 pm, The Plano Community Forum will includes an evening of hold their 21st annual dinner, awards banquet at the entertainment by Cedric, a Holiday Inn in Plano. This silent auction beginning at year's theme is "My 6:30 pm, raffles, and many Country 'Tis of Thee", other surprises. honoring military personnel, past and present. MLK Scholarship Fund. Graduating scholarship recipients and outstanding Pepper/7 UP as a major community leaders will also be honored. The master of ceremony will be "Lew" Lewis, a distinguished,

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September 26

to October 19

Saturday, October 18, at retired military personnel. Donation is \$45 and musical Net proceeds will benefit the The Forum welcomes Dr. underwriter. Ads or patron

listings are available. To

donate auction items, call

972-260-4208, or for more

information concerning this event, contact Barbara Simpkins, president, The Plano Community Forum.

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1701 W. Jefferson St., Grand Prairie, Texas 75051 (972) 264-1483 / (972) 263-5955 METRO 2805 Market Loop, Suite 300, Southlake, Texas 76092 (817) 442-JOHN (5646) / (817) 410-8990 METRO 1001 NextStage Drive, Grand Prairie, Texas 75050 Denny D. Davis, Servant Four Morning Worship Services 7:00 A.M. + 9:00 A.M. + 10:00 A.M. and 11:15 A.M. Mt. Olive Church of Plano 740 Avenue F Suite 303 Plano, TX 75074 A Non-denominational Church for all Nations Pastor Sam Jenceroy Pastor Gioria Fenceroy Schedule of Services Sunday School ..... 9:30 am Men & Wome n Ministry .... 1st & 3rd Mondays 7:30 pm Mid-Veek Service ...... We theselays 7:15 pm Mother's Day Out ..... Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Hispanic Services Sunday Evening Vorship ...... 6:30 pm Radio Broadcast Station 1040 AML/KGGR M-F 10:25 an 1-10:30 am Phone: 972--63-5511 . E-Mail: mocop740a verizon.net



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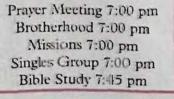
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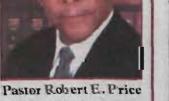
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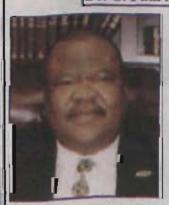
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## **Church Leaders Plan Upcoming Musical and Convocation**

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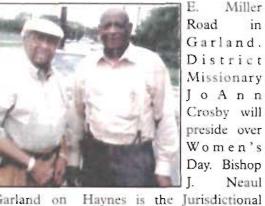
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Superintendent Waldon, Greenville South Convocation will be held at District, and pastor of Greater Davis C.O.G.I.C, 821 Friendly

Wayside C.O.G.I.C in Rowlett (left) and Pastor Tommy L. Chalk, Sr. of Greater Davis Chapel



C.O.G.I.C in Garland on their way to lunch after discussing their upcoming District Convocation, September 22 - 25, 2003.

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Octuber 18, 10:00 am- 2:00 pm Cancer Awareness & Prevention Celebration

·Free Prostate Cancer Screening ·Cancer Survivors and Testimonials Significance of Spirituality and Cancer-Fighting Foods Health Promotion Giveaways For more information, call 972-625-

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FRIENDLY WAYSIDE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Ends tonight, September 25, 2003, 7:30 pm Greenville South District Holy Convocation For more information, call 972-463-

5499 or 972-864-1047.

Friendly Wayside Church of God In Christ Supt. Aaron Waldon, Pastor 3509 Dennis Street Rowlett, TX 75088 972-463-5499

#### GREENVILLE AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sundays @ 5,00 pm, Room 129 Teen Sister Talk Class, ages 12 - 15 years old. It's fun, there will be some learning and field trips.

Jod Sunday of Each Month Free blood pressure screening in the gym after evening services For more information on times & room, call 972-644-2335

Starts this Sunday September 28th Achievers are Successful Tutoring Program, the TAKS test and how to become a TUTOR. Meeting in the auditorium after Evening Services, Kindergarten through 12th grades.

October 3-5 Marriage Retreat -Sign-up going on now

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#### KAISER STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

50th Church Anniversary Celebration-Praise & Worship Service For more information, call 972-276-8182

Kaiser Street Baptist Church Rev. Sam Holmes, Pastor 517 Kaiser Street Garland, TX 75040 972-276-8182

KELLER SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

September 27, 11:00 and Awards Luncheon Women of Grace will celebrate their Annual Women's Month Theme: "Women Transformed by the Truth"

September 28, 10-45 am Women of Grace Celebration Service

Keller Springs Baptist Church Rev. Larry J. Sanders, Sr., Pastor 3227 Keller Springs Road Carrollton, TX 75006 972-735-807

MESQUITE FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH 2nd & 4th Sundays

Blood pressure screenings available after 11:00 am service

Mesquite Friendship Baptist Church Rev. Terry M. Turner, Pastor 2232 Franklin Drive Mesquite, TX 75150 972-329-5030

#### MORSE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

October 4, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Educational Information Workshop-Students grades 9-12 and their parents are encouraged to attend. Continental breakfast

participant to be eligible for door prizes.

college night) For more information, call 940-320-

Christ! Bring a friend!

K-5 (The name AWANAA is taken from II Timothy 2:15 and literally means Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed.) AWANA is an international program.)

Mt. Hebron Baptist Church Rev. Leonard Leach, Pastor 901 Dairy Road Garland, TX 75040 972-276-5218

MT. OLIVE CHURCH OF PLANO Tursdays & Thursdays, 9:00 ans - 2:00 pm Mothers' Day Out Program for ages 2 months to 4 years of age. Phonics.

numbers, colors, shapes & other early childhood skills will be offered. For enrollment package & registration fees contact Sister Seretha Dawkins at 972-633-5511, between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm.

Vision Summit 2003 Conference For more information, cull 972-985-1364

Mt. Olive Church of Plano Rev. Sam Fenceroy, Pastor 740 Avenue F Plano, TX 75075 972-633-5511

#### NORTH DALLAS BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

October 3-5 Single Adult Annual Retreat For more information email ssaisimmonsmahomes.com or call 214-485-2128.

October 25, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Women's Ministry Conference Theme: "Hearing the Heart of a Godly Man" A Panel of Godly men will be addressing the issues of both the married and single woman. For more information, call Barbara Miller at 072-235-2882

North Dallas Community Bible Fellowship Rev. Leslie W. Smith, Pastor 302 Centennial Blvd. Richardson TX 75081-5057 972-437-3493

#### SAINT MARK BAPTIST CHURCH

September 28, 11:00 am & 3:30 pm Pastor's 20th Anniversary (continued celebration) For more information, call 972-542-6178

Saint Mark Baptist Church Charles S. Wattley, Senior Pastor 1308 Wilcox Street

SHILOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH Every Ist & 3rd Tuesday

Church is sponsoring a single's fellowship, providing positive life enrichment opportunities, support, and interaction with other singles within the context of the Christian Faith. Light For more information, contact Minister Daniel Shaw at 972-291-0449.

Wydnesdays, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Tutoring sessions sponsored by the

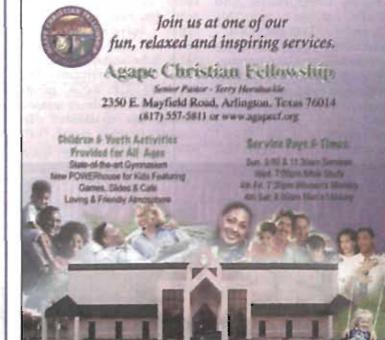
Women's' Day Program- "Women Enduring Adversity" For more information, call 972-221-5668.

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Westside Baptist Church Rev. Kenneth W. Blake, Pastor 802 Bellaire Blvd. Lewisville, TX 75067 972-221-5668

Door prizes -You must be a registered

October 6-10, 7:00 pm Annual Fall Revival (October 8 is

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Morse Street Baptist Church Rev. A. R. Stokes, Pastor 921 Morse Street Denton, TX 76205 940-320-5364

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Saturday, 6:30 pm The Summit continues to win souls for

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